

## THE CONTACTS OF CIVILIZATIONS

repression of the Communist movement. The fact that a Freemason like Varenne asked for the Legion of Honour for Soeur Antoine, of the Order of St. Paul de Chartres, is significant of the new entente. Men like Monet and Roux may complain that the Mission has

every-thing to undermine lay efforts to aid the Annamites, that Pfrere Robert of Shanghai was the arch-fiend behind Merlin's mistakes vacillations, and the Lodges may report these evils to their brothers in France yet these are only voices crying in the wilderness. The religious is dead. If the Mission was instrumental in keeping Protestantism out of Indo-China, it was the fact that its proselytizers were and not Presbyterians which carried its point with the government.

### ***Social and Medical Service***

Philanthropy is both the first and last work of It vated the original penetration of the country by missionaries, it was the ultimate form taken by that very colonisation which the consequence of missionary persecution\* It is no wonder the have a confused and distrustful reaction to an Occidental which is, simultaneously and Incomprehensibly, egotistic.

In the whole field of social and medical **service**, the

a pioneer. It was the missionaries, and even the originally to nurse the wounded of the army of remained to care for the natives, even after them from the hospitals. In the Hanoi hospital an got rid of the nuns before he was in a to lay nurses. Soeur **Aotoine** was the shining **the** refused to be repatriated so as to **cure** for **her**

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